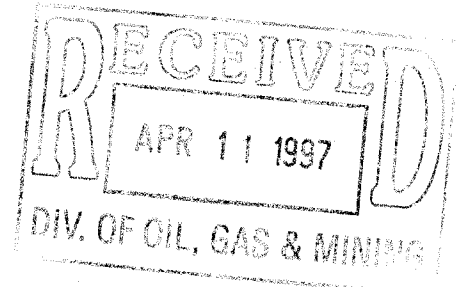


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State of Utah
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Re: ML 40197 and ML 40198--VM

NOTICE OF CLAIM

Dear Mr. Blake & Mr. Cooper:

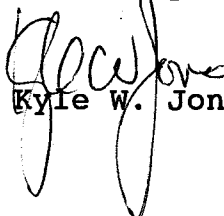
I have been asked by Mr. Neil Bradshaw to respond to your letter dated November 14, 1996.

Mr. Bradshaw wishes to rebid on the above leases. We request that notice of the rebid be given to Mr. Bradshaw, at 101 North Main Street, Milford, Utah 84751 of when, where and what will be the terms the new offering.

Also, Mr. Bradshaw requests refund of his \$5,000.00 bond, #002-938064-9. This bond was filed to cover mining operations and development per your letter of February 6, 1995. Mr. Bradshaw has fulfilled his requirements under the conditions of this bond.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,


Kyle W. Jones

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cc: Tom Munson